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Docket No.: 1001.1468101

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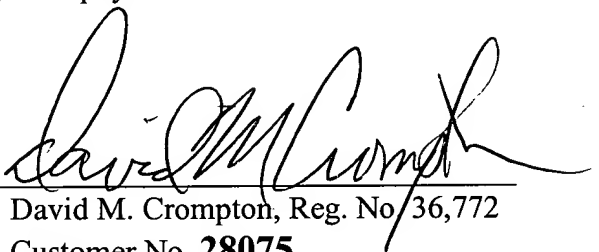
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on December 23, 2003. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary.

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks: